

# Return of the Daleks

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## CAST

The Doctor.....	.....Sylvester McCoy
Kalendorf.....	.....Gareth Thomas
Susan Mendes.....	.....Sarah Mowat
Skerrill.....	.....Christine Brennan
Mendac.....	.....Hylton Collins
Aytrax.....	.....Jack Galagher
The Daleks.....	.....Nicholas Briggs

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## 1. INT. TARDIS. CONTROL ROOM.

**DOCTOR** (*A deep breath as he wakes*) Mel? Ace... Hex? Where...?  
(*Realising*) All gone. Of course. Time passes. History moves on. And... is the sickness gone? (*Suddenly frantic*) Mirror, where's that mirror?

*Much scrambling about and clatter of searching through bags and drawers. Finally the sound of a glass mirror emerging.*

**DOCTOR** (*Sigh of relief*) Yes, there I am. That's me...

## 2. NARRATION.

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*Crash in Doctor Who theme.*

## 3. INT. ZALERIA CENTRAL OFFICE. CORRIDOR.

*Alarm is sounding, echoing through the corridors. Determined footsteps echo. Footsteps stop. Button is pressed. Bleep.*

**COMP** Identify.

**KALENDORF** You know it's me!

**COMP** Identify.

**KALENDORF** Kalendorf.

**COMP** Enter.

*Door opens. Footsteps. Door closes.*

**4. MT. ZALARIA CENTRAL OFFICE. SUZ'S OFFICE.**

**KALENDORF** Did you know about this?

**SUZ** Something to do with their science division. Just a small team.

**KALENDORF** So you did know.

**SUZ** As of about thirty seconds ago. Don't be so suspicious, Karl.

*Alarm stops.*

**KALENDORF** Science division... What the hell do they want here on Zalaria?

**SUZ** Contrary to popular opinion, they don't exactly take me into their confidence.

**KALENDORF** (*Sarcastic*) You surprise me.

**SUZ** I think we both know where our loyalties lie.

**KALENDORF** Do we? Sometimes I wonder.

**SUZ** I don't have time to wonder.

**KALENDORF** Anything else?

**SUZ** They expect to be greeted by the civil administration.

**KALENDORF** Of course.

**SUZ** You can handle that, can't you?

**KALENDORF** Your wish is my command, Angel of Mercy. But they're not going to like it.

*Music: strident, threatening. Burst of retro fire. Cross-fade to:*

## **5. EXT. ZALERIA. LANDING PAD.**

*Spaceship is landing.*

**DORLA** (*Panicked*) Kalendorf! What's going on? Our people are fearing the worst, they –

**KALENDORF** Tell your people to stay calm, Dorla. You understand me? This is just some routine science nonsense, so the last thing we want is panic in the streets. You know what happens when they get jumpy... people die.

*Final retro roar of landing. The dust settles. Door of ship opens.*

**KALENDORF** (*Entirely without feeling*) On behalf of the civil administration of this planet, I welcome you and your –

**DALEK** Where is Susan Mendes?

**KALENDORF** The Angel of Mercy is engaged in important work for the Dalek Empire –

**DALEK** She was ordered to report here.

**KALENDORF** She... er... (*Lost for words*)

**DALEK** Speak!

**KALENDORF** She sends her apologies. An Angel's work is never done, you know.

**DALEK** Silence! This scientific division's needs supersede all others. You will ensure that our work here is unimpeded.

**KALENDORF** Er... of course. If there's any way in which –

**DALEK** Additional security measures will be necessary. Dalek Command on Zaleria will be reinforced.

*A marching sound of heavy feet fades in.*

**DALEK 1** Additional security force disembarking now.

*The marching becomes louder.*

**KALENDORF** And... these are your –

**DALEK** Ogrons! They obey Dalek commands without question and will crush all forms of rebellion without mercy.

*Marching builds. Music builds.*

**DALEK** Halt!

*Marching stops with a crash to attention from a hundred or so Ogron boots.*

**OGRON** What are your orders, master?

**DALEK** Establish exclusion perimeter around Dalek Command Block and set up security checkpoints at all major interchanges throughout the city.

**OGRON** Yes, master.

**DALEK** Nothing must be allowed to interfere with our plan!

*Music crescendos.*

## **6. EXT. ZALERIA. JUNGLE.**

*Establish jungle atmosphere (rather like Spiridon).*

*TARDIS materialises.*

## 7. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

*Background fx are McGann TV movie style. Controls operated. Scanner fx. Distorted sound of jungle.*

**DOCTOR** *(To himself)* The planet known as Zaleria... during the time of the second great Dalek occupation. Hmm what secrets will unfold?

## 8. INT. SUE'S OFFICE.

**SUZ** Ogrons? What the hell are Ogrons?

**KALENDORF** I don't know, but they're pretty brutish-looking, probably semi-simian large, muscular and I'd say they were having exactly the effect the Daleks want.

**SUZ** What do you mean?

**KALENDORF** The Zalerians at the landing pad were visibly quaking at the sight of them... and the mood in the city is getting pretty ugly.

**SUZ** But why do the Daleks want extra security? This planet has a completely unblemished record of cooperation.

**KALENDORF** Huh... 'unblemished'.

**SUZ** *(Sharp)* What?

**KALENDORF** You sound almost proud. The irony is that it's these new, heavy-handed security tactics which threaten to besmirch your unblemished record.

**SUZ** *(Deliberately ignoring him)* I want to know what this scientific division's mission is.

**KALENDORF** Why? So you can help?

*Pause.*

**SUZ** *(Quietly powerful)* If you haven't got anything useful to say, Karl...

Why don't you... go about your business?

*Comma bleep.*

**KALENDORF** Who's that?

**SUZ** It's a total comma override. They're cutting across all –

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Attention! Attention! Citizens of Zaleria. This is...

*Cross-fade to:*

## **9. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.**

*The Dalek speech from the previous scene continues, distorted, on the TARDIS scanner.*

**DALEK** (*Distort*) ... Dalek Control. Attention! Attention! Citizens of Zaleria. These are your new...

*Over this...*

**DOCTOR** (*To himself*) And this is where the trouble really starts...

*Cross-fade back to:*

**DALEK** (*Distort*) ... orders! Outer sectors five, seven and nine will be evacuated immediately.

**KALENDORF** Five, seven... that's –

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Repeat. Outer sectors five, seven and nine will be evacuated immediately. If evacuation is not completed by zero-four hours, Zalerian time, those remaining inhabitants in sectors five, seven and nine will be destroyed. This is your final warning.

**SUZ** It's the Elders' Settlements... Why the Elders' –

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Additionally, Zalerian worker shifts will be selected for special duties. The Angel of Mercy will announce the selection at zero-

four-five-zero hours.

*Comms bleep.*

**SUZ** Will I now?

**KALENDORF** What the hell are they playing at? They've got a pretty tame planet here... and now they're going to cause chaos. It's nothing short of a major upheaval - and the Zalerians are not going to like it.

**SUZ** We'll see what the Dalek Supreme has to say about this.

**KALENDORF** (*Laughs*) I admire your optimism. You seriously think –

**SUZ** Thank you, Karl. You may go.

**KALENDORF** (*Containing his anger*) Of course Angel of Mercy.

## **11. EXT. ELDER SETTLEMENT.**

*Jungle sounds. Vocal sounds of Zalerian inhabitants hurrying to evacuate. Some panic. Rumble of transport ships descending.*

**DALEK** (*P.A. distort*) Evacuate! Evacuate! All Zalerians will evacuate this sector! Transport ships will depart at zero-three- five-zero Zalerian time. (*Continues under...*)

*Transport ship touches down in the foreground, obliterating all other sounds.*

*Cross-fade to:*

## **12. INT. ELDER'S HOUSE.**

**SKERRILL** There must be no bloodshed, Talamar. You understand me? This is not the time.

*Talamar is speaking from amongst a jostling crowd of Zalerians. Some distorted panic and much chatter in the background.*



**TALAMAR** (*Distort*) I understand, Skerrill, but our people need to hear that from you. No one was prepared for this. The Angel of Mercy has always guaranteed –

**SKERRILL** The Angel of Mercy is as much a slave as we are, Tal. She's never pretended to be anything else... and she will have done her best for us, you know that. But she has no power to override Dalek commands. Gather the other Elders at the landing pad. I will be there soon. There are things I must do first. Now go!

*Comms bleep. A door hums open*

**DOCTOR** Don't take any of your secrets with you, Skerrill.

**SKERRILL** Who...?

**DOCTOR** I'm a friend. Believe me, when you're gone, the Daleks will flatten this area, incinerate it. There'll be nothing left. They won't be searching for secret plans. They've bigger fish to fry.

**SKERRILL** Secret plans?

**DOCTOR** For rising up against the Daleks.

**SKERRILL** I'm afraid I don't know what you mean.

**DOCTOR** Of course you don't. All I'm saying is, you'll all be searched when you're relocated. Full security screening. Best not to carry your secrets with you... even if you don't know what I mean

**SKERRILL** Who are you?

**DOCTOR** A friend.

**SKERRILL** (*A short, disbelieving laugh*) So you said.

**DOCTOR** It isn't safe for you to know any more than that.

**SKERRILL** What are you doing here? There were only a handful of humans on this planet when we were invaded. And the Daleks keep you all

in the central zones under strict –

**DOCTOR** Maybe I'm not human, Skerrill.

**SKERRILL** You look human.

**DOCTOR** And I wasn't here when the Daleks invaded.

*The Dalek evacuation announcement (see previous scene) on PA becomes dimly audible in the background.*

**SKERRILL** I have to leave.

**DOCTOR** Yes, you do.

**SKERRILL** So, what do you want?

**DOCTOR** I want to speak to Kalendorf.

**SKERRILL** Why should you think I could –

**DOCTOR** I wouldn't ask if I didn't know you could pass the message on.

*Pause.*

**SKERRILL** Why should I trust you?

**DOCTOR** I trust you.

**SKERRILL** How... would Kalendorf find you?

**DOCTOR** Oh, don't worry... You can leave that to me.

*Music, slightly sinister.*

### **13. INT. DALEK CONTROL. ZALERIA.**

**DALEK 1** (*Distort*) Evacuation proceeding according to schedule.

**DALEK** Are explosive charges in position?

**DALEK 1** (*Distort*) Confirmed. Detonations set to commence in fifty rels. One transport ship reports engine malfunction. It will not be able to lift off before detonation deadline.

**DALEK** The transport ships are piloted by Ogrons. Proceed with detonation. There will be no loss of Dalek life. There must be no delay.

**DALEK 1** (*Distort*) Understood.

*Comms bleep off.*

*A minor alarm bleep as the Dalek makes connection to the Dalek command net. A slight echo on its voice.*

**DALEK** (*Echo*) Attention all Dalek units. Once designated areas have been obliterated, seismic probing will commence. Our objective must be located with all speed.

*Comms bleep. Echo stops.*

**DALEK 2** Incoming communication.

**DALEK** Speak!

**SUZ** (*Distort*) I request entry to Dalek Control.

**DALEK** Not necessary. It will soon be time for you to announce Zalerian worker shifts selected for special duties.

**SUZ** (*Distort*) That's what I've come to discuss with you. (*Pause*) Hello?

**DALEK** Discussion is not necessary. You will obey your orders.

**SUZ** (*Distort*) I carry the authority of the Dalek Supreme. I obey only his direct order.

**DALEK** You are a subject of the Dalek Empire. You will obey all Dalek commands without question.

**SUZ** (*Distort*) My work across the galaxy has been of vital importance to the Dalek Empire. The presence of your scientific division on this planet is already causing unrest amongst the local population. If you don't want that unrest to escalate into full-scale –

**DALEK** Do not dare to threaten the Daleks. You will obey –

**SUZ** (*Distort*) Consult your standing orders! I demand to see you... face-to-face.

**DALEK** Request denied.

**SUZ** (*Distort*) It is not a request! It is my right! You have one specific mission here. One mission. That's all! My mission is to aid the entire war effort... To ensure that valuable Dalek resources are not wasted on costly suppression of insurrection on conquered worlds. I was sent on that mission by the Dalek Supreme himself. I've spent years facilitating the peaceful occupation of over half the galaxy. And it's that peace which has ensured that your armies and resources have been free to prosecute your war. A war... a war that we – you, the Daleks, are winning!

*Pause. A low, burbling noise of data ting on a screen.*

**SUZ** (*Distort*) Well?

**DALEK** I have consulted standing orders. You may enter.

*Comms bleep off.*

**DALEK** Time to detonation?

**DALEK 2** Detonation in ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one.

*During this, cross-fade for*

#### **14. EXT. ELDERS' SETTLEMENTS.**

*Peaceful jungle sounds.*

*Sudden, massive explosions. A wall of incinerating fire. Cross-fade to...*

## **15. INT. BAR ZALERIA.**

*The low throb of seedy music. Odd mutters from seedy clientele. The rumble of distant explosions, the sound just reaching this location now. Some glasses rattle.*

*Skerrill and Kalendorf speak quietly, mindful not to be overheard. Chinking sound of a glass.*

**SKERRILL** They did it then.

**KALENDORF** Did you honestly think they'd wait?

**SKERRILL** I was on the last transport to lift off. I saw the other one... engines were stalling. Half the ships here are burnt-out wrecks. Huh, they couldn't even be bothered to invade us with decent hardware.

**KALENDORF** And the Daleks are never going to miss a detonation deadline, are they? I'm sorry. Did you know...?

**SKERRILL** Any of the people on board? What kind of question's that? I knew them all. They were my people.

**KALENDORF** I'm sorry.

**SKERRILL** I know you are, Kalendorf. But what good does that do? (Pause) You want to know why I sent word for you.

**KALENDORF** I... assumed it must be something... important... for you to take the risk.

**SKERRILL** More important than a thousand of my people dying on a transport ship just because the Daleks have a deadline fixation? Sometimes it's hard to know what really is important any more.

**KALENDORF** It's important that you stop your people from rising up against the Daleks. I know you're angry. I know there's anger throughout the city... But they wouldn't stand a chance. None of us would... not yet.

It's too soon.

**SKERRILL** And I have to trust you, don't I?

**KALENDORF** Trust is all we have, Skerrill. It's one of the things that sets us apart from the Daleks.

**SKERRILL** You're very... persuasive... a diplomat, Kalendorf

**KALENDORF** Not by birth

**DOCTOR** By birth he's a warrior.

**SKERRILL** (*Surprised*) How the hell – [did you get in here?]

**KALENDORF** If you want to get out of here alive, you'd better explain exactly who you are and what you're doing here. Well?

**SKERRILL** He's why I asked to see you.

**KALENDORF** You brought him here?

**SKERRILL** No. I don't know how he got in here. I was just going to tell you that some strange human said he wanted to see you. He said I could leave the rest to him. I don't think I believed him.

**DOCTOR** I needed someone to tempt the mighty Kalendorf away from the Daleks' web of security.

**KALENDORF** You succeeded. Now what?

**DOCTOR** Skerrill, I wonder if you'd be so kind as to leave Kalendorf and me to talk alone?

**KALENDORF** I have no secrets from the Zalerian people.

**DOCTOR** Oh, everyone has secrets, isn't that right, Skerrill?

**16. INT. DALEK COMMAND. ZALERIA.**

*In the middle of a heated exchange with the Dalek commander.*

**SUZ** But that was completely unacceptable! It would have taken a matter of hours – probably less than one hour – to have another transport ship fly in and transfer the Zalerians from –

**DALEK** There must be no delay!

**SUZ** What the hell could be so important that you'd just murder –

**DALEK** The lives of the creatures on this planet are of no importance to us.

**SUZ** The 'creatures on this planet' are a volatile people. The Dalek occupation here has only been successful because I've been given the authority to –

**DALEK** You will now select worker shifts for special duties!

**SUZ** What are these 'special duties'?

**DALEK** That is of no concern of yours. You will select two shifts immediately.

**SUZ** Why?

**DALEK** Further selections may be necessary once this scientific division has relocated operations.

**SUZ** Relocated...? To the sectors you've just blown up? Why? What are you going to do there?

**DALEK** No further questions! You will announce the selected worker shifts immediately.

**SUZ** Announce them yourselves!

**DALEK** Standing orders state that the Angel of Mercy will facilitate all delicate matters of population order and control.

**SUZ** Oh, so you admit you need me.

**DALEK** It is your function. It is why you remain alive.

**SUZ** But you have no authority to execute me.

**DALEK** In this instance... we have.

*Pause.*

*Music. Low and threatening.*

**SUZ** (*Rattled*) What's so important about this planet?

**DALEK** Step to the communications unit and make the announcement.  
Nooowww!

*Music reaches a crescendo.*

## **17. INT. BAR ZALERIA. PRIVATE BOOTH.**

*Fairly confined acoustic. Door closes. Rustle of clothes as they sit.*

**KALENDORF** All right. We're alone. That's what you wanted. Start talking.

**DOCTOR** What exactly is this place?

**KALENDORF** It's a private booth in Bar Zaleria. You really don't want to know the rest. What's your name?

**DOCTOR** You're a Knight of Velyshaa. You were on a secret peace mission to make a defence pact with the Earth Alliance when you got caught up in a massive Dalek invasion of the galaxy.

**KALENDORF** I said, what is your name?

**DOCTOR** (*Undeterred*) But that was years ago. Since then, you've tagged along with Susan Mendes, the legendary Angel of Mercy. And together, the two of you have become the biggest traitors to civilisation since –



*An echoing public-address system alarm.*

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Attention! Attention! This is Dalek Command. Citizens of Zaleria, the Angel of Mercy will now speak.

**DOCTOR** ‘Angel of Mercy’ the willing puppet of the Daleks.

**KALENDORF** (Low and terrifying) I’m only going to give you one warning –

**SUZ** (Distort, totally numb) Zalerian worker shifts 739 and 04567 will report to the Dalek Command Block immediately for special duties. Any... any workers who fail to attend by fourteen- zero-seven hours Zalerian time be executed. That is all.

*The alarm sounds with finality.*

**KALENDORF** Have you anything else to say? Or can I just kill you now?

**DOCTOR** Can you keep a secret?

**KALENDORF** I’ve had enough of this. Skerrill’s people will deal with –

**DOCTOR** I’ve come to you, Kalendorf, because the Daleks know me. They know me of old. I’ve fought more battles with them than I dare to remember... and who knows, one day, maybe, they’ll win. And that’s my greatest fear.

**KALENDORF** Who are you?

**DOCTOR** I’m the Doctor. And I know who you and Suz are. I know what you’re really doing. And do you know something? The chances are you’re going to succeed.

**KALENDORF** I don’t know what you’re talking about.

**DOCTOR** But it isn’t about talking, is it, Kalendorf? You reach out with your mind, don’t you? You’re a telepath. You’ve planted the seed of

rebellion in the minds of every planet you and Suz have been taken to.  
Yes, I know. I know.

*Pause.*

**KALENDORF** And what else do you know, Doctor?

**DOCTOR** That something's going to go horribly wrong if we don't put it right.

**KALENDORF** What... exactly?

**DOCTOR** There's a terrible secret buried here.

**KALENDORF** Buried? What the hell are you talking about?

**DOCTOR** Why do you think the Dalek science division is here? They've been searching for this planet ever since they began the invasion of the galaxy.

**KALENDORF** All right, and now they've found it, but what –

**DOCTOR** They don't know they've found it yet. They've been through this a hundred times. But this time, they're hopeful. They're beginning to suspect they've got it right, that they're about to unleash the most powerful Dalek army ever created.

*Music. Crescendo. Impending doom.*

## **18. INT. DALEK CONTROL ZALERIA.**

**DALEK** Dalek Command to Outer Sectors five, seven and nine. Report!

**DALEK 1** (*Distort*) Seismic probes are now in position.

**DALEK** Proceed with triangulation pulse.

## **19. INT. DALEK SEISMIC CONTROL.**

**DALEK 1** Proceeding with pulse... now!

*Control activated. A huge, subsonic noise like a massive, low sonar bleep. Followed almost immediately by two more pulses. They reverberate wildly.*

*Echoes of pulses continue throughout. Tracking controls chatter.*

**DALEK 1** Seismic triangulation proceeding.

## **20. INT. BAR ZALERIA. CORRIDOR.**

*Echo of pulses rumbles on here.*

*Door opens. Kalendorf's urgent footsteps.*

**KALENDORF** What the hell was that?

**SKERRILL** I was just going to come in and ask you the same question.

**KALENDORF** (*Quietly*) It's coming from underground. They're looking for something.

**SKERRILL** Looking for something?

*Rumble slowly begins to subside.*

**SKERRILL** What did that strange man want?

**KALENDORF** He... Where is he? I thought he was behind...

**SKERRILL** Is he still in the booth?

*Footsteps and a scuff to halt.*

**KALENDORF** He's gone.

## **21. INT. SEISMIC CONTROL.**

*Tracking controls chattering. Burble of read-outs.*

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Report on triangulation results.

**DALEK 1** Final readings now arriving.

*A resolute bleep and a continuing chime.*

**DALEK 1** (*Triumphant*) Objective located!

## **22. INT. DALEK CONTROL ZALERIA.**

**DALEK** Excellent! Inform Dalek Central Command that we will now proceed with drilling operation.

**DALEK 2** I obey.

**DALEK** Experimentation on Zalerian worker shifts will commence!

## **23. INT. DALEK HOLDING CELL.**

*Mumbles and coughing of other Zalerians held here. Thumping on metal door.*

**DORLA** Let us out of here! We haven't done anything wrong! Why are you keeping us here? The Angel of Mercy –

*Door slides open.*

**DALEK GUARD** The Angel of Mercy is a servant of the Daleks. She cannot help you now.

**DORLA** What...? What's going to happen to us?

**DALEK GUARD** You will move ahead of us and follow my directions. Move! Move! Move!

## **24. INT. DALEK LABORATORY.**

*Much bleeping of various scientific equipment. A very busy electronic background.*

*Far right in the stereo field: the radio distorted sounds of many footsteps of many Zalerians entering a 'light chamber'.*

**DALEK AIDE** Zalerians now entering light chamber.

**DALEK SCIENTIST** Position them in front of the lightwave projectors

**DALEK AIDE** Zalerians will stand in front of projectors!

**DALEK GUARD** (*Distort*) I obey.

**DORLA** (*Distort*) What are these things? What's going on? You can't –

**DALEK GUARD** (*Distort*) Silence! If you speak again, you will be exterminated!

*Pause.*

**DALEK AIDE** All Daleks will leave chamber. Radio distorted sound of doors closing.

**DALEK AIDE** Chamber... clear.

**DALEK SCIENTIST** Lightwave projectors fire!

*Massive whoosh of terrible power.*

*Zalerians scream in terrible agony. Scream builds with whoosh of power. Screams echo horribly for some time.*

## **25. EXT. PLAIN OF STONES.**

*Fizzle of ice pools. Bleak wind is blowing. Footsteps across mud.*

**SUZ** You're late.

**KALENDORF** It was difficult getting out of the city –

**SUZ** This'd better be good, Karl. Something big is going on and I –

**KALENDORF** That's why I arranged to meet you out here! Or would you have preferred it if I'd walked straight into your office and had this conversation with you, under full Dalek surveillance?

**SUZ** Say what you have to say. Don't touch me! There's no need for your telepathy. Look at this place, there's nobody for miles around. It's safe to talk.

*Pause.*

**KALENDORF** Very well. I've received... 'intelligence' that – **SUZ** 'Intelligence'? (*Mocking*) Are you suddenly in contact with Earth's Security Services?

**KALENDORF** There's a massive Dalek army buried deep under the surface.

**SUZ** What here? On Zaleria?

**KALENDORF** Yes. Didn't you hear them firing the seismic –

**SUZ** And how did you find this out? Who's your contact? (*Pause*) You don't trust me any more, do you?

**KALENDORF** It's... best you don't know.

**SUZ** (*A little shaken*) I... see. Do you trust your source?

**KALENDORF** I don't think we can risk not trusting. it.

**SUZ** So what do you want me to do?

**KALENDORF** Cover for me, while I'm away.

**SUZ** Away? Where?

**KALENDORF** Can you do that? Or is that too much to ask?

**SUZ** Of course not. Karl... (*She's about to 'build bridges' with him, but does not know what she's going to say.*)

**KALENDORF** Yes?

**SUZ** I... I know things – [have been difficult between us.]

*Comms bleep.*

**SUZ** I'd better take this... (*Answering call*) Susan Mendes. (*Listens for some time*) Wha,...? I see. Of course. I'm on my way back.

**KALENDORF** What is it?

**SUZ** Screams have been heard coming from the Dalek Control Block.

**KALENDORF** Screams?

**SUZ** The work shifts I nominated went in there. I think... I think they're killing them.

**KALENDORF** But... who's heard these... If –

**SUZ** Everyone in a three-block radius has heard... and beyond that, the story is travelling. The first riots have started. Is that cover enough for you? Do what you have to do, Karl.

*Cross-fade to:*

## **26. EXT. STREET. ZALERIA CITY.**

*Rioting Zalerians, very angry large mob of several hundred.*

**DALEK** (*P.A. distort*) Rioting Zalerians will disperse immediately. Disperse immediately!

*Thunderous marching of Ogron footsteps approaching.*

**DALEK** (*P.A. distort*) Disperse or Ogron forces will be deployed

*Some foreground cries are heard.*

**ZALERIAN** What are you doing to them? Murderers!

**ZALERIAN 2** You're killing them! Killing our people! You took them in there and you killed them!

*A Dalek alarm sounds.*

**DALEK** (*P.A. distort*) Ogrons will quell insurrection immediately!  
Ogrons, advance!

*Marching starts up. Rattling of batons against shields. Rhythmic grunting from Ogrons, in time to their baton bashing.*

**OGRONS** (*Variously*) Move! Zalerians will disperse! Move!

*Crowd starts to scream. Cross-fade to:*

## **27. NARRATION.**

**SKERRILL** After the inevitable return, we nearly got used to it. Almost as if hundreds of years of freedom had never happened. Here we were, under Dalek rule again. But this time there was more anger. So when the stranger came with his warnings. And the Daleks started the torture and the murder. And cut deep into our planet to find their ancient army... We knew what we had to do.

## **28. EXT. JUNGLE.**

*Skimmer lands. Something like a helicopter. Door opens.*

**KALENDORF** This is the closest I could put us to the outer sectors.

**SKERRILL** They blasted the whole area clear... nothing left... And nowhere for us to hide.

*Distant sound of violent, rumbling machinery. (It's the Daleks, burrowing into the planet.)*

**KALENDORF** They're still digging. Couldn't have found it yet.



**SKERRILL** Mendac, Aytrax, prime the explosives.

**KALENDORF** Best wait – until we’ve found the Dalek army and have decided exactly how we’re going to destroy them first. As it is, we haven’t even found a way down –

**SKERRILL** Kalendorf, we’re hopelessly outnumbered. When the time comes, we may find ourselves out of time and options... And none of us are being taken prisoner, I promise you that.

*Priming sounds on explosives.*

**MENDAC** Primed.

**AYTRAX** Primed. I spotted one of the old ice volcanoes to the east.

**MENDAC** Me too. Could be a good place to start.

**KALENDORF** You knew, didn’t you?

**MENDAC** Knew what?

**KALENDORF** All along, that there was a Dalek army buried here.

**SKERRILL** Only the Elders knew. But we all knew about the Daleks. They’re part of our ancient history, Karl. A shameful part.

**KALENDORF** Shameful?

**SKERRILL** It’s not widely known, but it’s buried in our sacred texts. Our people worked for the Daleks. Made it possible for them... (She trails off)

**KALENDORF** Possible for them to... what?

*Distant sound of Dalek transolar disc flying.*

**MENDAC** Dalek aerial patrol.

**SKERRILL** We’d better get moving. Aytrax?

**AYTRAX** It was this way. Come on.

## **29. EXT. STREET. ZALERIA**

*Full riot in progress. Screams from crowd. Thunder of Ogron batons.  
Cross-fade to:*

## **30. INT. SUE'S OFFICE.**

*The sounds of the riot are in background, but reasonably dominant.  
Comms bleep.*

**SUZ** Susan Mendes to Dalek Control. Susan Mendes to Dalek Control I demand that you answer me! You must stop whatever you're doing to the Zalerian prisoners in your Command Block! Do you hear me? I demand –

*Door bursts open.*

**SUZ** Ogrons... How dare you enter my office without [permission!]

**OGRON** You will come with us!

**SUZ** I don't take orders from –

**OGRON** Take her!

*Huge footsteps of Ogrons stepping forward and grabbing her.*

**SUZ** No! You have no authority to – Aargh!

**OGRON** Take her! Take her to our masters!

**SUZ** You're breaking my arm!

**OGRON** Break her arm!

*A nasty crunch.*

*Suz screams in pain. A moment of recovery as she pants loudly.*

**OGRON** Now... you will not resist. Take her to the Daleks.

### **31. INT. DALEK LABORATORY.**

**DORLA** (*Distort*) Please... No more. The pain, we can't... We can't–

*Harsh bleep as comms are cut off.*

**DALEK AIDE** Lightwave projector experiments are altering Zalerian external cellular structure. Readings indicate there is a pigmentation barrier.

**DALEK SCIENTIST** One more lightwave projection is all that is needed to destroy this barrier and confirm our prognosis. Fire projector immediately.

**DALEK AIDE** I obey.

*Lightwave projector fires.*

*The sound of Zalerians screaming in agony.*

### **32. INT. DALEK CONTROL.**

*Zalerians screaming in pain in background. Door opens.*

**OGRON** Enter.

*Suz struggles forward, in pain.*

**SUZ** What the hell are you doing to those Zalerian workers?

**DALEK** Silence or the Ogrons will inflict more pain on you.

**SUZ** You can break every bone in my body, but I will not stand by and –

**DALEK** Ogron!

**OGRON** Yes, master.

*The thud of a huge punch impact. Suz gasps in pain and falls to the floor. Hold a few moments on her defeated groans of pain.*

**DALEK** Now you will remain silent.

*Comms bleep.*

**DALEK** Control to laboratory Report!

**DALEK SCIENTIST** (*Distort*) Lightwave projection experiments have been successful. Observe.

*Buzz of screen shifting image.*

*Music: sinister, disturbing.*

**SUZ** (*Aghast*) Oh, my... What...? What have you done to them? (*N.B. She's seeing the Zalerians fade from view, going invisible – revealed later.*)

**DALEK SCIENTIST** (*Distort*) Total success!

**DALEK** You have done well Transmit test results to main drillhead control in the outer sectors immediately.

**DALEK SCIENTIST** (*Distort*) I obey.

*Comms bleep off.*

**SUZ** (*Groggy*) Why...? Why have you brought me here?

**DALEK** The indigenous life-forms are required for slave labour and further experimentation, you will speak to them. The insurrection will cease!

**SUZ** And what if I refuse?

**DALEK** Our records show you have extensive knowledge of the Daleks. (*With extreme menace*) Need you ask that question of us, Susan Mendes?

### 33. INT. ICE VOLCANO.

*Four pairs of feet climbing down rockface. Sounds of effort from Kalendorf, Skerrill, Mendac and Aytrax.*

**KALENDORF** (*Through gritted teeth of effort*) Too much of an overhang. We'll have to jump the last bit. Is that ice surface solid, Skerrill?

**SKERRILL** (*Effort*) Looks like it...

*Rumble from beneath the surface.*

**MENDAC** (*Effort*) Is that the Daleks drilling?

**AYTRAK** (*Effort*) Or this ice volcano about to erupt?

**KALENDORF** Well... We can't just hang around here. We'll have to take a chance. Wish me luck! (The last word extends as he jumps)

*Feet land hard on ice surface. Kalendorf makes a gasp on impact.*

**KALENDORF** Seems safe enough.

*More feet landing. The rumbling gets louder.*

**SKERRILL** Then that sound is definitely the Daleks drilling.

**MENDAC** Let's hope they don't rupture the local ice caverns. If that happens, we could find ourselves inundated with molten ice.

**KALENDORF** Yes... that's an odd phenomenon on your planet, isn't it? But at least we know we're near to their drilling shaft.

*A thunderous rumble.*

**SKERRILL** Perhaps too near.

### 34. INT. DALEK DRILLHEAD.

*Deep whirling sound of drill running.*

**DALEK DRILLER** Drillhead Control to Command. Scanners indicate we are nearing point zero.

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Proceed with all haste. Maximum power to drillhead.

**DALEK DRILLER** I obey. Maximum power... now.

*Drill running sound increases in pitch and intensity.*

### **35. EXT. STREET. ZALERIA.**

*Full riot in progress as before. Buzz from P.A. speakers.*

**DALEK** (*Distort, echoing*) Attention! Attention rioting workers! Attention! The Angel of Mercy will now speak to you from Dalek Control!

*The crowd slowly falls silent.*

**SUZ** (*Distort, echoing. She sounds defeated, in pain*) People of Zaleria. Listen to my words carefully. You cannot defeat the Daleks. If you continue to... to challenge their authority... (*Pause*) They will kill you. They will kill you all. I'm sorry... They have a secret mission here. I don't know what it is. But they are prepared to go to any lengths to complete this mission. They would prefer you to remain the efficient workforce you have become. But they are willing to sacrifice that, if necessary.

*A rumble of crowd disapproval.*

**SUZ** (*Distort, echoing*) Listen to me. We cannot defeat them. All the work we have done together will be destroyed if you continue to resist them. You must go back to your homes. There is... (*She stops*)

**DALEK** (*Distort, echoing*) Continue!

**SUZ** (*Distort, echoing*) There is nothing we can do. Perhaps, one day –

*Buzz as she is cut off.*

**DALEK** (*Distort, echoing*) You have listened to the words of the Angel of Mercy. Obey her now and your lives will be spared. Resist... and you will be exterminated!

*Music, doom-laden. Defeat.*

### **36. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*The massive drill whirring comes closer and closer. A huge explosion of rock as the drill bursts through. Debris settles.*

### **37. INT. DALEK DRILLHEAD.**

**DALEK DRILLER** Total success! Point zero has been breached.

**DALEK DRONE** Scanning point zero.

*Scanning fx.*

**DALEK DRILLER** Report!

**DALEK DRONE** Scans reveal 1,100,000 Dalek units submerged in approximately 30,000 cubic giga-Throns of molten ice beneath a ten giga-Thron skin of solid, frozen ice.

**DALEK** (*Distort*) You have your orders.

**DALEK DRILLER** Activate heat rays immediately.

**DALEK DRONE** I obey.

*Controls activated. A massive surge of power.*

### **38. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*A whoosh of energy and a hiss of steam.*

**DALEK DRONE** (*Distort, echoing*) Ice now vaporising.

### 39. INT. VOLCANO CAVERN.

*Distant rumble and hissing.*

**SKERRILL** Stop. What's that sound?

**KALENDORF** I don't know. Wait a minute, it's –

**MENDAC** It's getting hotter!

**AYTRAX** But how?

**KALENDORF** It'll be something to do with the Daleks, that's for certain.

*Scuff of feet as Doctor approaches.*

**DOCTOR** You're right. And I was wrong.

**MENDAC** Who the –

**KALENDORF** Doctor!?! What do you mean?

**DOCTOR** I thought I wasn't meant to interfere. But that can't be right.

**SKERRILL** What do you mean, 'interfere'?

*The massive hissing is getting louder.*

**AYTRAX** Skerrill, it really is getting very hot in here, we should –

**DOCTOR** Get out of the path of the scorching vapour? I couldn't agree more.

**KALENDORF** Scorching vapour?

**DOCTOR** The Dalek army is buried in billions of tons of ice, isn't that right, Skerrill?

**SKERRILL** It is, but how did...?



**DOCTOR** Never mind how I knew. So how do you think the Daleks intend to get at their army?

**KALENDORF** They're melting the ice, aren't they?

**DOCTOR** And I can't let you get broiled alive. You're too important.

**KALENDORF** Important? What do –

**DOCTOR** Follow me. Quickly!

*Footsteps run on rock.*

*This hissing gets suddenly louder, whooshing in. Cross-fade to:*

#### **40. INT. DALEK DRILLHEAD.**

*Muted hissing. Bleeping of monitoring controls.*

**DALEK DRONE** Ice elimination continuing according to projected targets. Heat ray units set at maximum safe temperatures, ten degrees below maximum tolerance for Dalek casings.

**DALEK DRILLER** Continue. Maintain optimum temperature. Scanners indicate our army is commencing the first phase of reactivation!

*Cross-fade to:*

#### **41. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*Heat rays and massive hissing of vapour.*

*Music, builds to dramatic pitch. Dip to underscore as we cross-fade to:*

#### **42. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.**

*Door closes.*

**DOCTOR** Everyone safely in?

**MENDAC** Just about...

**AYTRAX** Yes...

**DOCTOR** Good.

**SKERRILL** Doctor? You're... 'the Doctor'?

**DOCTOR** Yes, Skerrill. I take it I'm remembered on Spiridon?

**KALENDORF** 'Spiridon'?

**SKERRILL** Yes. The true name of this planet.

**DOCTOR** Anyone's perfectly entitled to change the name of their planet. But you changed a lot more than that.

#### **41. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

**SKERRILL** We had to. We had no choice.

**KALENDORF** What are you talking about?

**DOCTOR** The terrible sacrifice the Spiridon people made. Skerrill?

**SKERRILL** As I told you, Kalendorf... Our planet was occupied by the Daleks once before, generations ago. They enslaved us... or rather, we agreed to work with them to save ourselves.

**KALENDORF** There's no shame in that. But one day things will be different and – [we'll turn on them, defeat them.]

**SKERRILL** But the Daleks came here for a... specific reason. Not just to store a vast army; but to gain knowledge.

**KALENDORF** Knowledge of what?

#### **43. LIVE DALEK CONTROL.**

**SUZ** But why were you doing that to the Zalerians in your laboratory? It was as if... as if they were just fading –

**DALEK** Invisibility is the natural state of the Spiridons.

**SUZ** Spiridons? Invis... I don't – [understand]

**DALEK** This is the planet Spiridon... not Zaleria. Zaleria is a deception, to hide this planet from the Daleks. It has failed. Now we have returned and our mission will be completed.

**SUZ** What mission?

**DALEK** You and Kalendorf will continue to serve the Dalek Empire. You will be transported from this planet to begin your next assignment.

**SUZ** Our work here isn't completed. Kalendorf is working outside the city on important –

**DALEK** He will be located. You will leave this planet. Your time here is at an end. This is the order of the Dalek Supreme. You will obey!!!

#### **44. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.**

**KALENDORF** So they'll reactivate their Dalek army, and make it invisible.

**DOCTOR** It's a terrifying advantage. One that will tip the balance. I thought my role was just to make sure nothing went wrong here... But it seems I was wrong.

**MENDAC** Wrong about what?

**DOCTOR** I have to interfere. Become a part of history.

**AYTRAX** Isn't that what you did when you came to Spiridon before?

**DOCTOR** (*Sighs*) Yes... Maybe this is my penance for not doing the job properly the first time.

**SKERRILL** But the Daleks never fully mastered invisibility. The massive amounts of energy they had to expend to maintain it caused lightwave sickness. The prototypes all died.

**DOCTOR** Haven't you ever heard of reverse engineering? The Daleks will discover how you Spiridons have made yourselves appear to be visible. They'll reverse that process. And they hope that will give them the key.

**MENDAC** The key to becoming... efficiently invisible?

**DOCTOR** And they may just do it. How did your people make themselves visible, by the way, Skerrill?

**SKERRILL** Our forefathers subjected themselves to many painful forms of treatment. Mostly based on the ingesting of cell- altering natural chemicals.

**AYTRAX** Pigmentation and nutrients to decay the non- reflective cellular properties.

**DOCTOR** Ingenious.

**MENDAC** It's a vital part of our food chain now. But our visibility is only skin deep. Our genetic coding is constantly trying to reinstate our invisibility.

**KALENDORF** The force of nature is always hard to beat.

**DOCTOR** You're quite a force of nature yourself, Kalendorf, aren't you? And I have to make sure you... What shall I say? Fulfil your potential.

**KALENDORF** What exactly do you mean by that?

**DOCTOR** Oh, you'll find out soon enough.

**KALENDORF** Look, I have had just about enough of your cryptic –

**DOCTOR** Yes, annoying, isn't it? But unfortunately, the Daleks are something of a force of nature too. Genetically programmed to conquer

and destroy. And we have to stop them.

**KALENDORF** (*Irritated*) Oh, and how are we going to do that?

**DOCTOR** Well... I have a plan.

#### **45. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*A final whoosh of steam. The heat rays shut down with a low whirring and a final 'ker-chunk'.*

**DALEK DRONE** (*Distort, echoing*) Heat rays now shut down.

*The hiss dies away.*

*The sound of water dripping in the vast, reverbed environment. Cross-fade to:*

#### **1. INT. DALEK DRILLHEAD.**

**DALEK DRONE** Ice elimination now complete.

*Comms bleep.*

**DALEK DRILLER** Drillhead reporting to Dalek Control. Our army has been freed from the ice.

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Scientific division will now transfer to your location. Test results have been transmitted to you.

**DALEK DRILLER** Test results register as inconclusive.

**DALEK** (*Distort*) Work will continue until the problem of lightwave sickness has been eradicated. Then our army will be made invisible and will proceed with the conquest of the galaxy. No force will be able to stand against them!

#### **47. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*The slow, low metallic grinding sound of a million or so Daleks grinding against each other. Dripping of water.*

*Cautious footsteps on wet rook. Their voices are low, cautious.*

**MENDAC** (*Distort*) Doctor, are those Daleks awake?

**DOCTOR** Not fully. They've been in deep freeze for generations.

**KALENDORF** You mean it's going to take them time to fully wake up?

**DOCTOR** Precisely.

**AYTRAX** How long?

**DOCTOR** Er... hopefully long enough.

**AYTRAX** For what?

**SKERRILL** Doctor, you look worried.

**DOCTOR** Yes. How many chambers have we been through?

**KALENDORF** About twenty. Why?

**DOCTOR** And there are more ahead of us. Oh, dear.

**SKERRILL** 'Oh, dear'?

**DOCTOR** Yes. Very 'oh, dear'. When I was last on this planet, there were reports of 10,000 Daleks. I'd say we'd passed about ten times that number already.

**MENDAC** So the problem is bigger than you thought.

**DOCTOR** Much bigger... but luckily that doesn't affect my plan.

**KALENDORF** What exactly is your plan, Doc—

*A particularly loud, close metallic grinding.*

**AYTRAX** Down everyone! That Dalek looks –

*Dalek gun fires.*

**AYTRAX** (*Screams and dies*)

**MENDAC** Aytrax! No!

**DALEK** (*Groggily*) Intruuuuderrrrrrrrssss. Allllleeeerrrrrt.

**SKERRILL** We've got to help –

**DOCTOR** Keep down! Didn't you learn anything from your history. Poor Aytrax is dead.

*Alarm echoes throughout the chambers.*

**DOCTOR** Oh, no. That's done it.

**DALEK DRONE** (*Distort, echoing*) Intruders! Intruders! Alert!

**DOCTOR** Come on, we've got to get those charges of yours to the heat emitters.

**SKERRILL** Heat emitters?

**KALENDORF** Well, the Daleks must have melted the ice with something.

**DOCTOR** Precisely, Kalendorf. And if I can destroy their heat emitter control units and override the activation controls, we'll be able to set them at maximum –

**KALENDORF** And melt the Daleks. Will it work?

**DOCTOR** It has to work.

## 48. INT. DALEK CONTROL.

**DALEK DRONE** Kalendorf cannot be located.

**DALEK** Where is Kalendorf? Answer!

**SUZ** I told you. He's attending to important work. Important work for the Dalek –

**DALEK** Where is he?

**SUZ** He didn't inform me of his precise location. But, I trust him and –

**DALEK** You are lying!

**SUZ** I'm not lying! I genuinely don't know where –

**DALEK** You cannot deceive the Daleks! You will tell us where Kalendorf is or I shall order the Ogrons to harm you again.

**SUZ** Do what you like!

**DALEK** Do not pretend to be brave, Susan Mendes. I have accessed extensive data on your personality and physical responses from the Dalek Supreme. It is clear that you are afraid, that you are in pain. I calculate you will be unable to resist further pain. You can answer now, or when you have suffered. The choice is yours. Where is Kalendorf. *(Pause)* Ogron!

**OGRON** Yes, master.

**DALEK** Break her left leg. Now!

**OGRON** Yes, master!

*Sound of Ogron grabbing her.*

**SUZ** No! Aargh! No, no... all right. I'll answer! I'll answer! Please!

**DALEK** Release her.



**OGRON** Yes, master.

*Suz slumps to the floor.*

**SUZ** (*Recovering*) Karl... Kalendorf told me about the Dalek army buried on this planet.

**DALEK** How did he know of this?

**SUZ** I don't know! You have to believe me. If I knew, I'd tell you! You must know that. I've served the Daleks faithfully for many years now. You know you can trust me. (*It's difficult for her to say, but she must.*) My loyalty is... beyond question.

**DALEK 1** Drillhead Control reports intruders have been detected

**DALEK** They must be exterminated.

**SUZ** No!

**DALEK** Is Kalendorf one of the intruders?

**SUZ** I don't know, but... yes, yes, I suppose he must be. You mustn't kill him. You have standing orders not to kill him. He must accompany me on my missions. He is vital to our work! That was a condition granted by the Dalek Supreme.

*Pause.*

**DALEK** You are correct. Kalendorf is to be captured alive. All other intruders will be exterminated.

**SUZ** (To herself) I'm sorry, Karl... but I need you.

#### **49. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*Dalek alarm is blaring. Daleks fly past.*

**DALEK DRONE** (*Distort, echoing*) Airborne Daleks will locate intruders! Kalendorf is to be captured alive! Repeat, Kalendorf is to be

captured alive!

*Dalek announcement fades into background, as does the sound of flying Daleks.*

*Fade up on footsteps scrambling along wet rock.*

**KALENDORF** They know I'm here... (*Angrily*) Suz.

**DOCTOR** I think I recognise this walkway... yes. This is the chamber I entered when I was last on Spiridon.

**KALENDORF** And you're hoping this'll be where the heat emitters are.

**DOCTOR** Yes.

*A flying Dalek begins to swoop.*

**SKERRILL** Get down!

**DALEK** (*In distance*) Intruder located! Exterminate!

**MENDAC** It's spotted me! Skerrill! Quick, take these charges from me! Quickly!

**DALEK** (*Swooping in*) Exterminate!

*Dalek gun fires. Impacts.*

**MENDAC** Aaaaargh!

**DOCTOR** Get down!!!

*Massive explosion.*

## **50. INT. DALEK CONTROL.**

**DALEK DRILLER** (*Distort*) Intruders have been located.

**SUZ** Karl... Have they found Kalendorf?

**DALEK** Silence!

**DALEK DRILLER** (*Distort*) One intruder destroyed.

**SUZ** No! You said –

**DALEK DRILLER** (*Distort*) Three others sighted. One of them is wounded.

## **51. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

**SKERRILL** (*Gasps in agony*)

**KALENDORF** Skerrill, are you all right?

**SKERRILL** Mendac... where's Mendac?

**KALENDORF** The Dalek blast hit him and detonated his charges... he didn't stand a chance... I'm sorry.

**SKERRILL** Where's the Doctor?

**KALENDORF** He's taken your charges and run off somewhere. He must've spotted the heat emitters.

**SKERRILL** Aargh... I can't move.

**KALENDORF** You caught some of the blast, but you've got to –

*An explosion some way off.*

**SKERRILL** What's going on?

**KALENDORF** I think that'll be the Doctor, working on those heat emitters.

## **52. INT. DRILLHEAD CONTROL.**

*An alarm bleeps.*

**DALEK DRONE** Emergency! Emergency! Heat projection unit controls have been disabled by explosion in main chamber.

**DALEK DRILLER** Repair the systems immediately.

**DALEK DRONE** I obey.

*Controls activate. A rising hum of power.*

**DALEK DRILLER** What is happening?

**DALEK DRONE** Heat ray power has been activated.

**DALEK DRILLER** Shut down power!

*Controls bleep. The operation is clearly unsuccessful.*

**DALEK DRONE** Power controls have been bypassed. Am unable to shut down power.

### **53. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

*Hum of power increasing.*

**KALENDORF** It's starting to get hotter. Well done, Doctor. Come on, Skerrill, we've got to get you out of here.

**SKERRILL** (*With great effort, through pain*) Well, we can... can try... urgh...

**DALEK GUARD** Halt! Do not move!

*Kalendorf groans in despair.*

**DALEK GUARD** You are Kalendorf.

**KALENDORF** What of it?

**DALEK GUARD** You are to be taken alive.

**KALENDORF** Can you hear me, Doctor?!?

**DALEK GUARD** Doctor?

**KALENDORF** Do it! Never mind us! Destroy them! Melt them! Destroy their whole damn army!

**DALEK GUARD** Alert! Temperature is rising!

**KALENDORF** I'm sorry, Skerrill. There's no reason you should die for this, but –

**SKERRILL** There's every reason, Kalendorf. We failed the galaxy once by collaborating with the Daleks. Now it's time to make amends. We can't let that army become operational.

**KALENDORF** I know. And that's something worth dying for.

#### **54. INT. DALEK CONTROL.**

**DALEK DRONE** Dalek guard reports Kalendorf has referred to 'Doctor'.

**DALEK** Scan for life signs in main arsenal.

*Scanning fx.*

**DALEK DRONE** Scanning.

**SUZ** What are you doing?

**DALEK** Silence!

*Blip.*

**DALEK DRONE** Unknown life form detected in heat ray emitters.

*Read-out.*

**DALEK** Life-sign readings correlate with known Time Lord profiles. It is the Doctor.

**SUZ** Time...? Who is this Doctor?

**DALEK** The Doctor is a known saboteur of Dalek operations and must be exterminated.

**SUZ** Then exterminate him before he destroys everything in that cavern!

**DALEK DRONE** He has control of the heat ray. We cannot override his control.

**DALEK** But the Doctor has compassion.

*Comms bleep.*

**DALEK** Inform him that Kalendorf and the Spiridon will be exterminated if he persists with his sabotage.

#### **55. INT. DALEK ARMY CAVERN.**

**DALEK GUARD** Doctor! I will exterminate Kalendorf and this Spiridon if you do not cease heat ray power build-up.

**KALENDORF** Don't you understand? There are more important things than our lives at stake here.

*Power hum starts to fall to lower pitch.*

**KALENDORF** What the hell...?

**DALEK GUARD** Temperature now falling.

*Footsteps approach slowly.*

**DALEK GUARD** You are the Doctor!

**DOCTOR** Yes. And, unfortunately there isn't anything more important than preserving your life, Kalendorf.

**KALENDORF** What are you talking about? You could have destroyed their army, melted them! What the hell's the matter with you?

**DOCTOR** You have work to do. And I can't stand in the way of that.

**KALENDORF** (*Furious*) You idiot! You coward! You could have –

**DOCTOR** If you think that was idiotic, how about this? Dalek, tell your leader... I can cure lightwave sickness.

**SKERRILL** No!

**DOCTOR** Let these two go and I'll make your army invisible. It'll take time, but I'll be able to do it, and do you know why? Because I'm cleverer than you.

**DALEK GUARD** Dalek technology is supreme. You will not be –

**DOCTOR** Well, if you're so clever, why aren't they invisible already? Come on, make them invisible. It's not like the Daleks to hang around and waste time. Get on with your galactic invasion. What's stopping you? I'll tell you what...

**KALENDORF** Please, Doctor! Please, I'm begging you! You can't do this!

**DOCTOR** You've assimilated a vast amount of data by torturing those poor Spiridons... but you can't make sense of it, can you?

**KALENDORF** For pity's sake, man!

**DOCTOR** (*To Dalek*) Come on... what does your commander have to say?

*Pause.*

**DALEK GUARD** You will work for the Daleks!

**KALENDORF** You traitor!

**DOCTOR** Let these two go.

**DALEK GUARD** You are in no position to bargain.

**DOCTOR** Kalendorf, I just expect you and the Angel of Mercy to... carry on the good work. Goodbye. I'm working for the Daleks now. And I really must get started.

*Music: something that suggests inevitable disaster. Grim stuff.*

*Hold for a time, then fade into soft strings. Time is passing.*

## **56. EXT . SPIRIDON SPACEPORT.**

*A large spaceship door clangs shut and seals. Engines blast off. Spaceship soars skywards.*

*Hold for a few moments, then cross-fade to:*

## **57. INT. SPACESHIP.**

*Hold silence for a moment.*

*Just the muted rumble of the engines.*

**SUZ** I was wrong. *(Pause)* It's not so much that you don't trust me, Karl... You just hate me. *(Pause)* Don't you?

**KALENDORF** I don't have time to hate you. We've got a job to do.

**SUZ** Who was that.. that man? That Doctor? The Daleks said he was –

**KALENDORF** I don't know, Suz! *(Suppresses anger)* I don't know. I thought he was on our side. Maybe he was. Maybe he wasn't. I just hope that one day... Huh, never mind.

**SUZ** No. What?

**KALENDORF** That all this makes sense. Everything we're doing.



Everything we've done and everything we've yet to do. It has to make sense.

**SUZ** Yes. It has to, Karl.

**KALENDORF** (*Cold*) Well, at least on that point, we're agreed.

*Cross-fade back to rocket engines burning. Slowly fade.*

## **58. NARRATION.**

**SKERRILL** The Doctor remained a prisoner of the Daleks for many years. Most of my people thought he had been killed, because... well... nothing happened. The Daleks remained on Spiridon. Slave labour continued. The army didn't emerge. But then, one day, our invisibility started to return to us. Centuries of cellular decay was reversed. We didn't know why for sure, but I knew it must've had something to do with the Doctor. Perhaps we'll never know what he did.

## **59. INT. DALEK LABORATORY.**

**DOCTOR** That should do it.

*Alarms sounding.*

**DALEK DRONE** Emergency! Emergency! Contagion risk! Emergency!

**DALEK** What have you done? You have betrayed us!

**DOCTOR** With pleasure. After working with you for all these years... you're more than welcome.

*A strange, fizzing sound starts to grow in intensity.*

**DALEK** You will be ex... exteeerrrrmmmmmmiiiiinnaa-

**DOCTOR** (*Experiencing pain*) It's... too late... too late for that, Dalek! I've released your so-called 'cure' to visibility. It'll return... argh! It will return the Spiridons to... to their natural state! Invisibility!

**DALEK** But... but... I... cannot seeee... I...

**DOCTOR** That's right. The rest of us... The rest of us are going to... to die of... argh! Lightwave sickness.

*Daleks shrieking with agony.*

**DOCTOR** (*Suffering terrible pain*) And do you know why I've done it? Dalek? Do you know?

**DALEK** No. Tell meeeeeeeee!

**DOCTOR** Because I heard you talking to Dalek Command. A rebellion has started, hasn't it? On a little planet called Yaldos. Kalendorf and Suz have finally done it... the Dalek Empire is going to be defeated.

**DALEK** Noooooooooo!

**DOCTOR** History is safe.

*Cacophony of Dalek screams becomes all-consuming. Fade to a lingering echo. Then silence.*

## **60. NARRATION.**

**SKERRILL** And when the Daleks started to fade from view too, in our natural invisible state, we could see them dying. The cure to lightwave sickness hadn't been found. And they were all dying of it. Perhaps that's what happened to the Doctor. Perhaps he sacrificed himself for us.

## **61. INT. TARDIS; CONTROL ROOM.**

*Door opens. Staggering footsteps of the Doctor. Laboured breathing. He is in pain.*

**DOCTOR** (*Struggling*) Aargh. If I'm right... the dimensional stasis of the TARDIS should... should neutralise the lightwave sickness, but... aaaaaargh! No, I can't... can't regenerate! Cellular structure is paralysed, I... aargh!

*Collapses.*

*Music. Passing of time...*

**DOCTOR** (A deep breath as he wakes) Mel? Ace... Hex? Where... ?  
(*Realising*) All gone. Of course. Time passes. History moves on. And... is  
the sickness gone? (*Suddenly frantic*) Mirror, where's that mirror?

*Much scrambling about and clatter of searching through bags and  
drawers. Finally the sound of a glass mirror emerging.*

**DOCTOR** (*Sigh of relief*) Yes, there I am. That's me. And I beat them.  
(*Quietly triumphant*) I defeated you again, Daleks. Catch me if you can.

*Crash in closing Doctor Who theme.*